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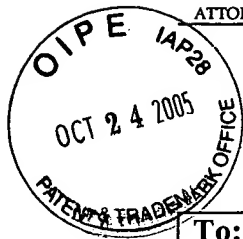
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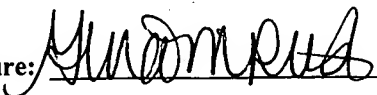
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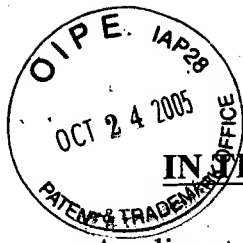
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Respectfully submitted,

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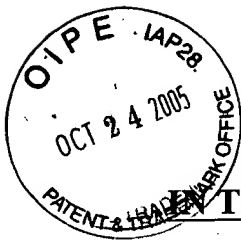
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Sections 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98 of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the following information is set forth in compliance with Applicants' duty of disclosure, as well as the duty of others substantively involved in the preparation of the above-titled application.

The Applicants and others substantively involved in the preparation of the application are aware of the documents, cited on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Copies of the listed documents were provided in related prior application U.S. Serial No. 09/166,055. The present application relies on U.S. Serial No. 09/166,055 for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), these copies are not provided with this Information Disclosure Statement.

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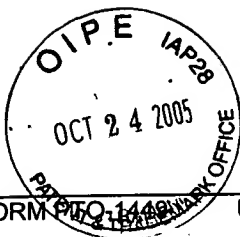
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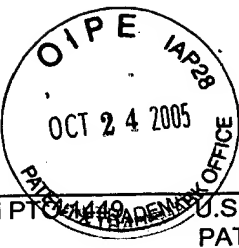
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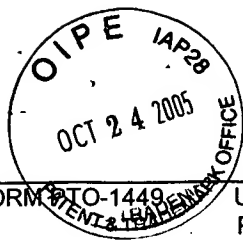
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